

Solo Leveling

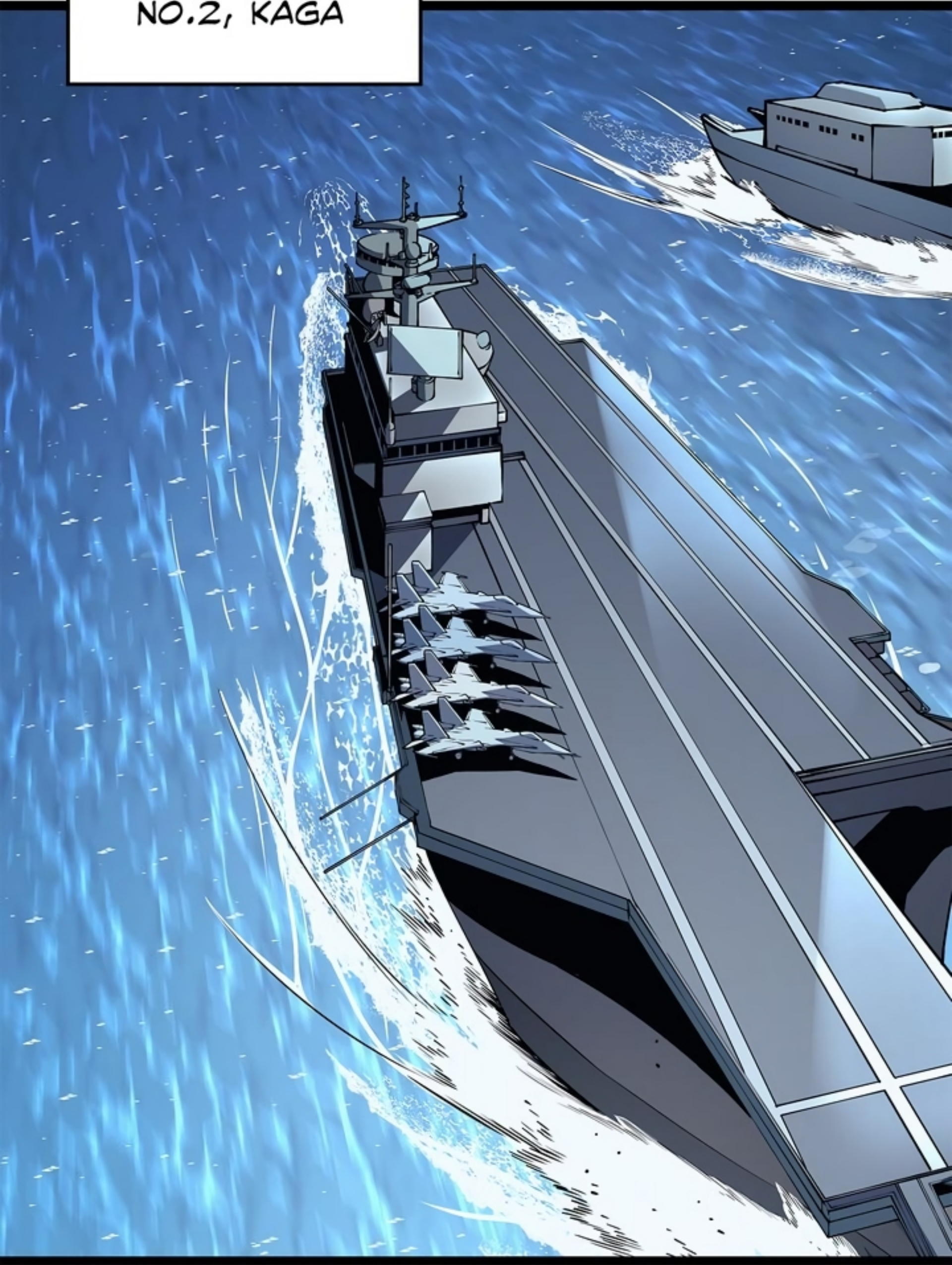
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DESTROYER
NO.2, KAGA

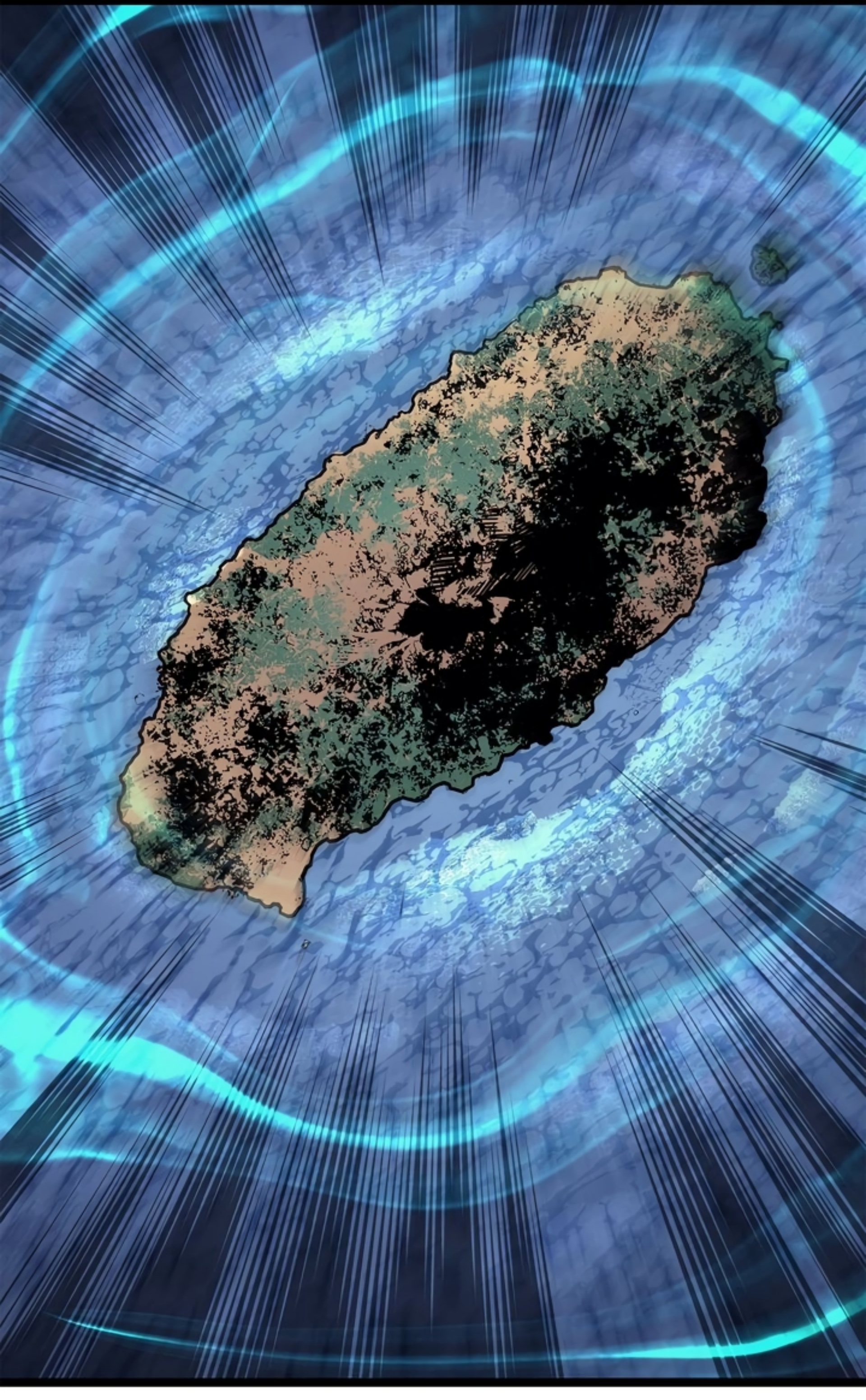
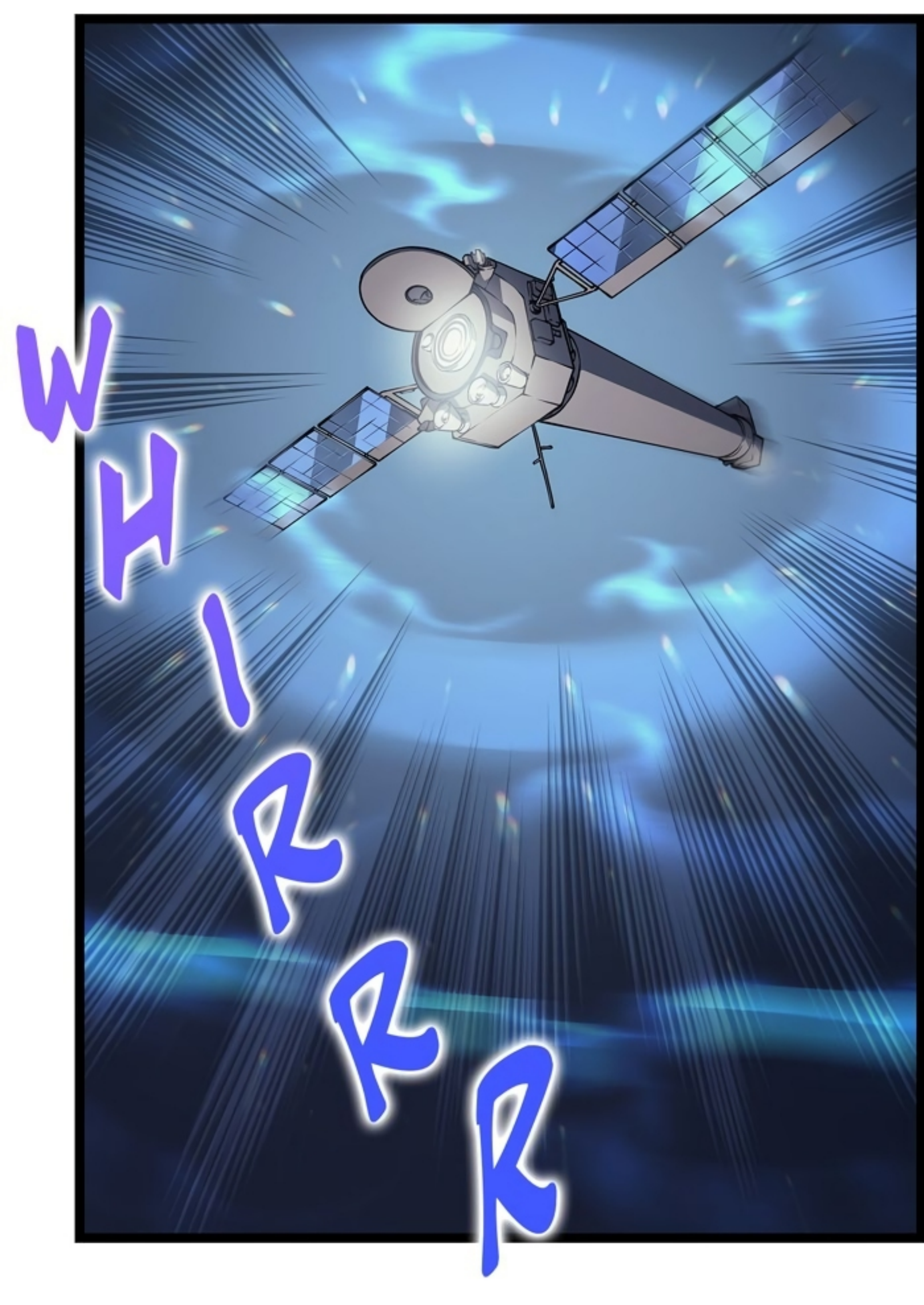


WE WILL NOW
COMMENCE THE
OPERATION AS
WELL.

ACTIVATE
JAMMING
SIGNALS.



ACTIVATING
JAMMING
SIGNALS.



NOW, THE ANTS
WON'T BE ABLE TO
HEAR THE QUEEN'S
CALL FOR HELP.



EEK...!

THUD

GET IT
TOGETHER,
KUMAMOTO!



IF YOU DON'T GET
USED TO THEM,
YOU'RE GOING TO
END UP DEAD!

B-BRAVO
TEAM

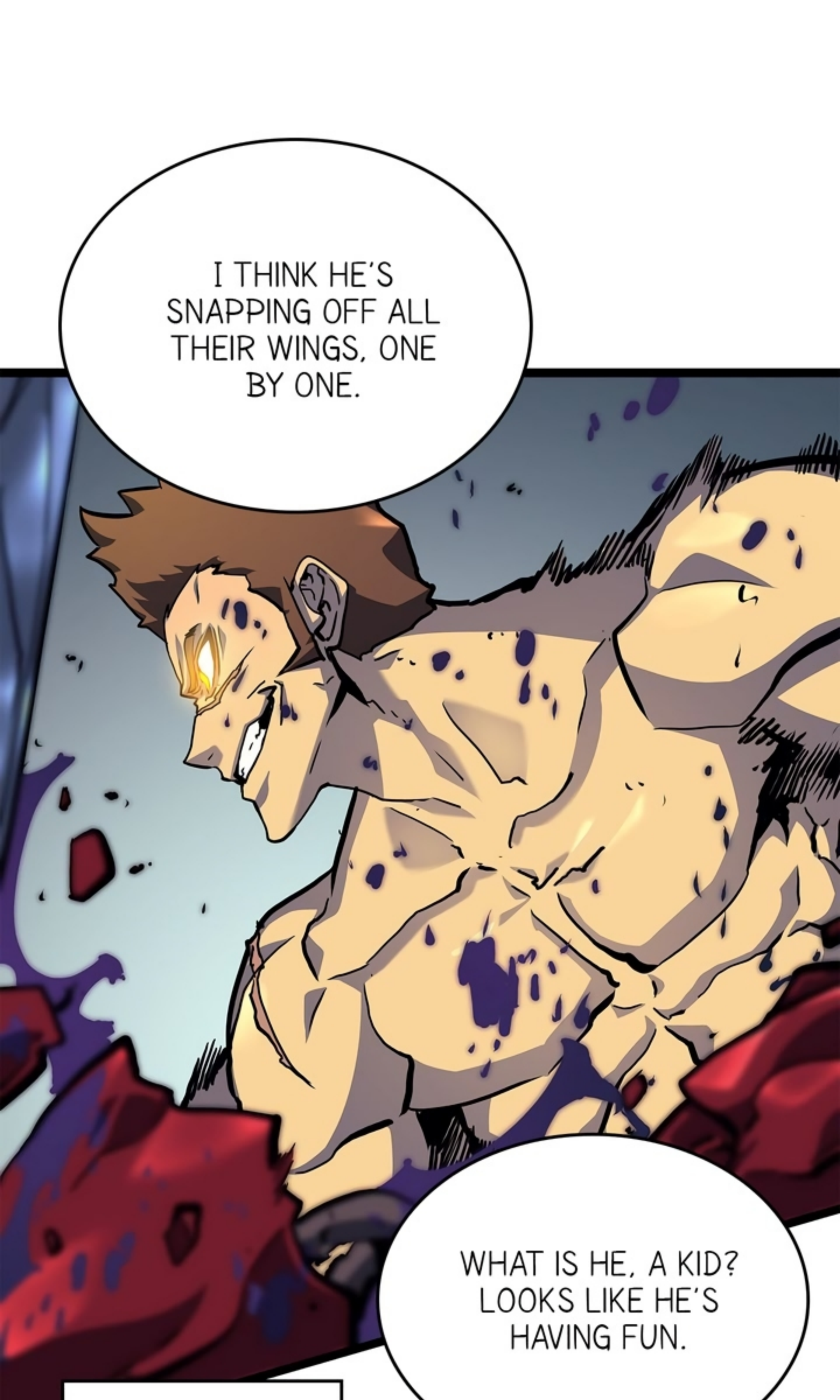


IT MIGHT BE FASTER TO
KILL ALL OF THESE GUYS
OURSELVES INSTEAD OF
WAITING FOR THE SOUTH
KOREAN TEAM TO KILL
THE QUEEN.

MAYBE.

WHERE DID
KENZO GO?

HE'S
PLAYING
TAG RIGHT
NOW.



I THINK HE'S
SNAPPING OFF ALL
THEIR WINGS, ONE
BY ONE.

WHAT IS HE, A KID?
LOOKS LIKE HE'S
HAVING FUN.

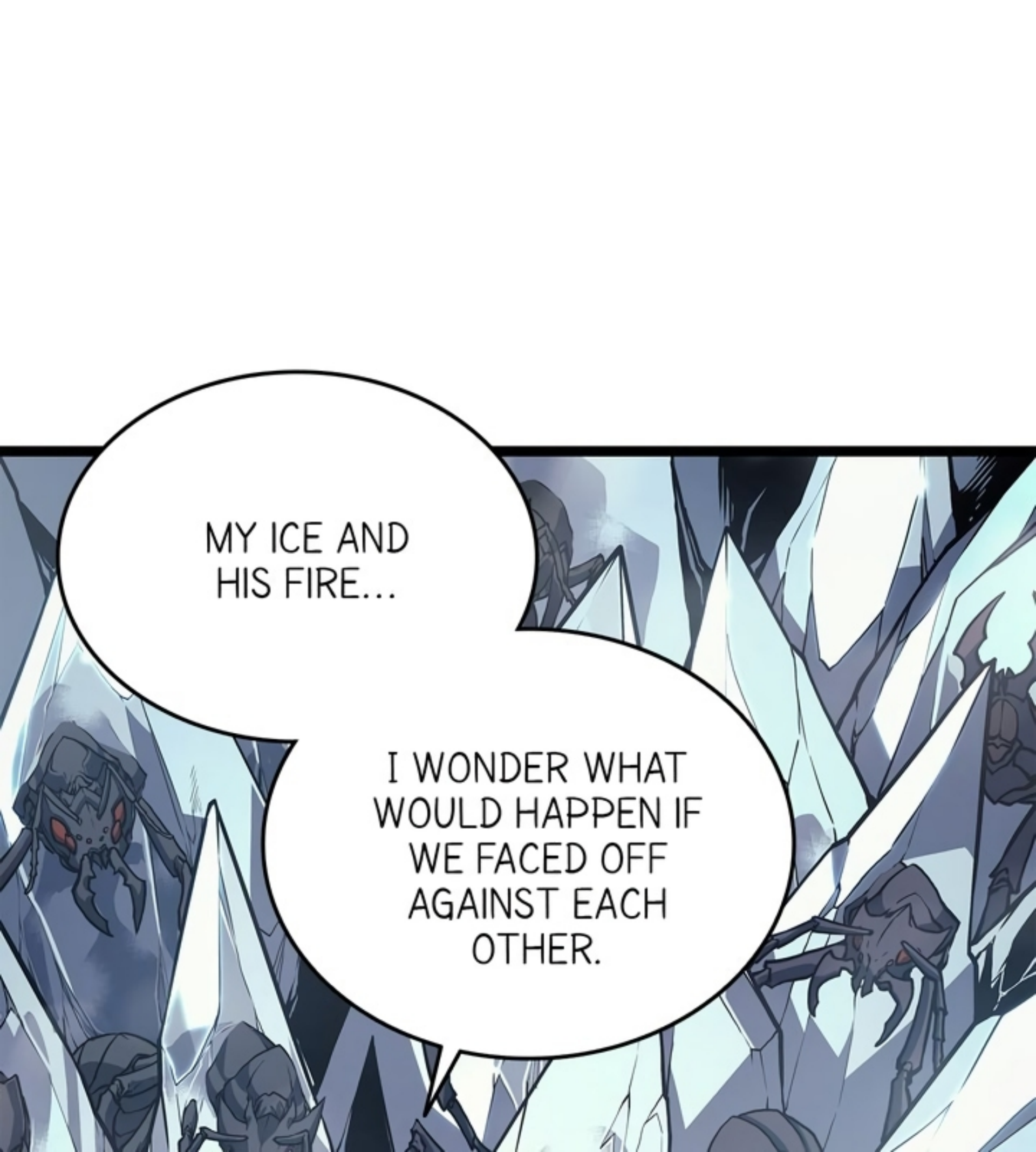
C-CHARLIE
TEAM

D-DELTA
TEAM



FIREWORKS ARE
GOING OFF AT THE
ANT TUNNELS.

CHOI JONG-IN,
WAS IT? MUST
BE HIM.



MY ICE AND
HIS FIRE...

I WONDER WHAT
WOULD HAPPEN IF
WE FACED OFF
AGAINST EACH
OTHER.



IT'D BE COLD AND
HOT, DUH.



SO THIS IS
BAENGNOKDAM... IT
WAS ONCE FAMOUS
FOR ITS BEAUTY,
BUT...

...NOW,
IT'S BECOME A
WASTELAND.



A comic panel featuring a rocky, brownish landscape in the background. A large, white, circular speech bubble is centered in the upper half of the panel. The text inside the bubble is written in a simple, black, sans-serif font.

YUP, IT'S
NOTHING BUT AN
ANT COLONY
NOW.



I USUALLY USE THIS
FLAME PRISON TO TIE
UP MY ENEMIES, BUT
I'M USING IT NOW
AS A SHIELD...

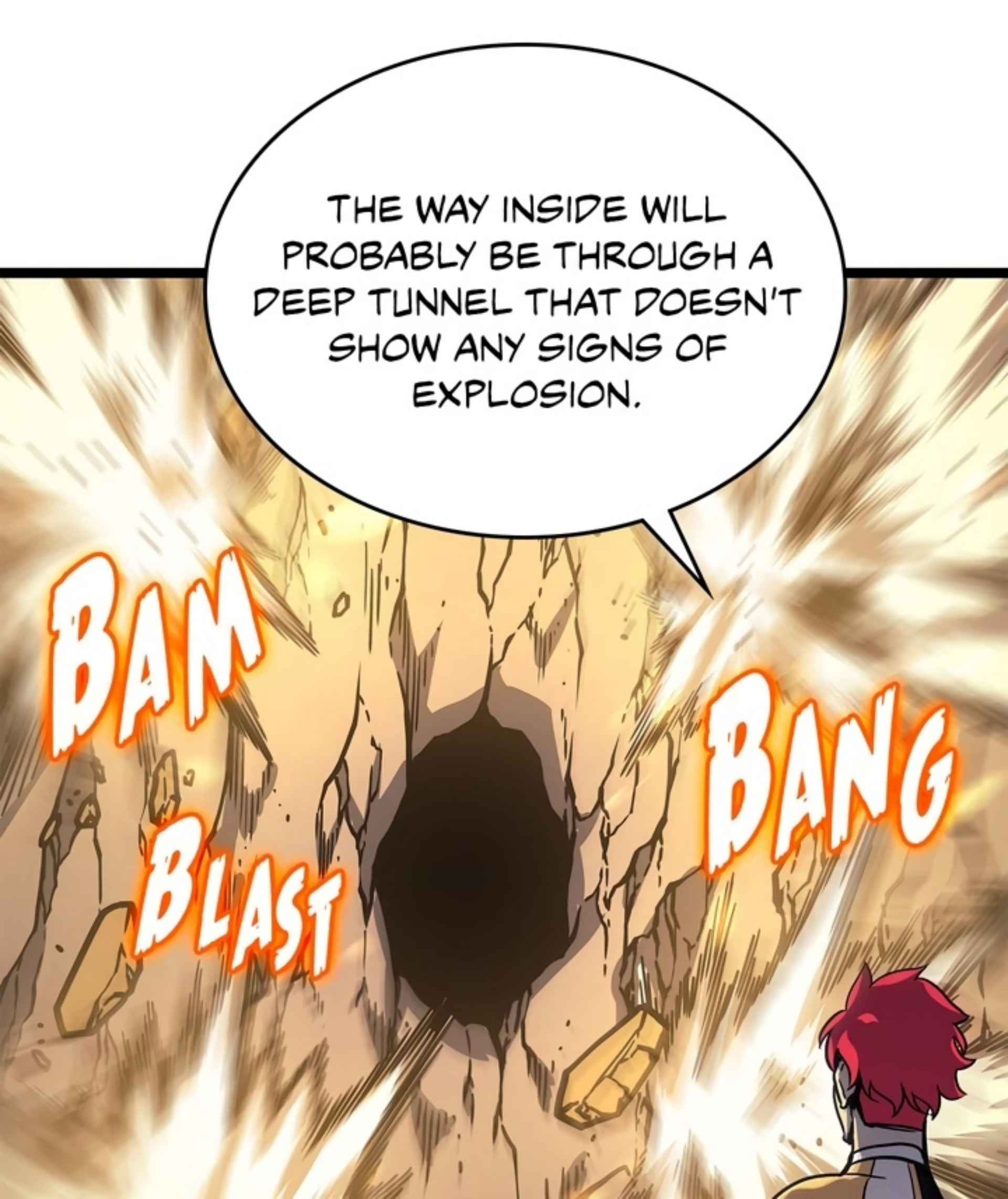
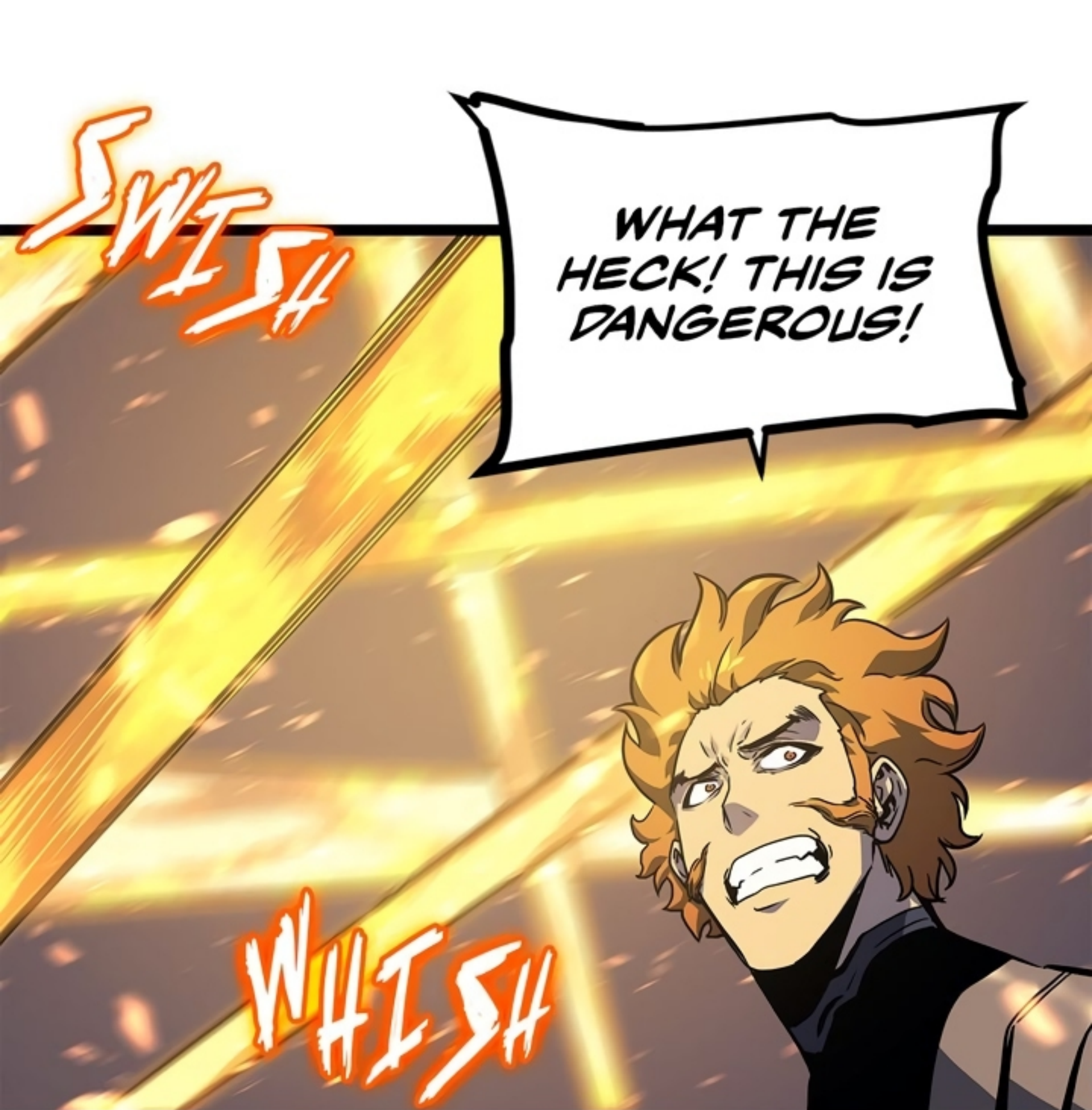
THIS WILL KEEP
ANTS THAT ARE
B-RANK OR LOWER
FROM ENTERING.



I'M GOING
TO GO LOOK
FOR A WAY IN
NOW.









SEEMS
LIKE THAT'S THE
TUNNEL WE'RE
LOOKING FOR.



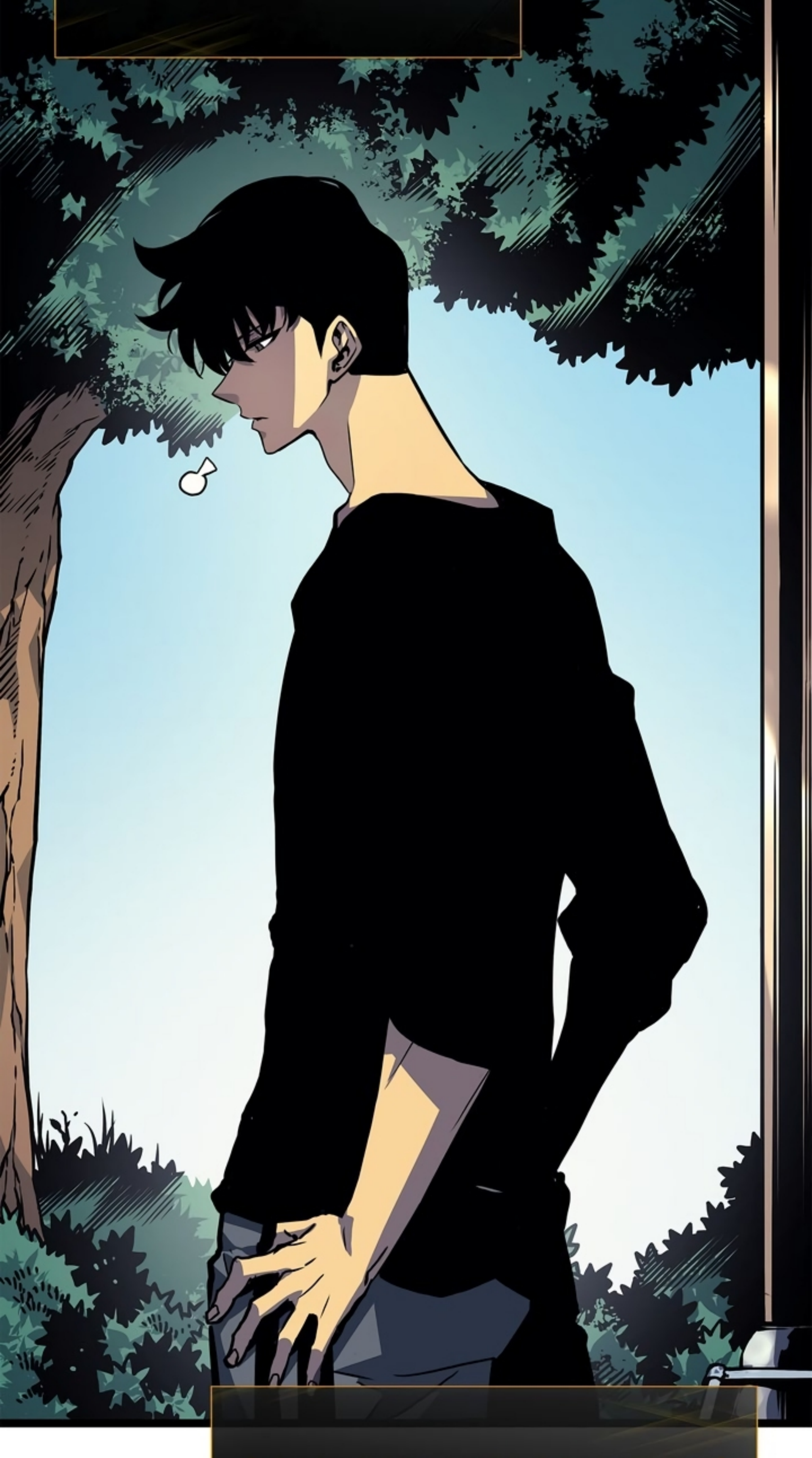
WOW, CHOI
JONG-IN... HAVING
HIM ON OUR TEAM IS
REASSURING.



LET'S GO IN.



[DISTANCE RUN: 10KM]



[YOU HAVE COMPLETED RUNNING 10KM.]

STATUS

— X

STRENGTH: 219

HEALTH: 200

AGILITY: 230

INTELLIGENCE: 250

SENSE: 200

AP: 0

PHYSICAL DAMAGE REDUCTION: 46%



THIS AREA IS USUALLY PRETTY EMPTY, BUT STILL. THERE ISN'T A SINGLE PERSON OUT HERE TODAY.

DID THE BROADCAST FOR THE JEJU ISLAND RAID START?

THE SOUTH KOREAN AND JAPANESE S-RANK HUNTERS...

...WERE ALL VERY STRONG. THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT THAT.

I DON'T NEED TO WATCH THE BROADCAST.

EVEN WITHOUT ME, I KNOW THEY'RE MORE THAN CAPABLE OF SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING THE RAID.

AS LONG AS EVERYTHING
GOES ACCORDING TO PLAN.



EXCEPT FOR
A FEW THAT STAYED
BEHIND, IT LOOKS LIKE THE
REST LEFT THE TUNNELS.
OUR PREDICTION WAS
SPOT ON.



THIS IS MY FIRST
TIME SEEING THESE
CREATURES... WERE THEY
THE QUEEN'S ROYAL
GUARDS? IF SO, THEY
WERE PRETTY WEAK.


LOOK,
THEIR EYES HAVE
DETERIORATED.

THESE PARTICULAR
ANTS MUST'VE
EVOLVED TO BETTER
GUARD THESE DARK
TUNNELS.



THAT MAKES
THINGS EASIER
FOR US.

IF
THESE AREN'T THE
ROYAL GUARDS, THEN
WE CAN JUST BREEZE
RIGHT THROUGH,
USING OUR FIRE
POWER.




DO YOU REALLY
THINK THE QUEEN
IS HERE,
THOUGH?

The first panel shows two characters in a cave. On the left is a man with spiky orange hair, wearing a black tactical vest over a dark shirt. He has a serious, slightly menacing expression. On the right is a man in a black hooded cloak with blue armor pieces on his chest and shoulders. He has a more neutral, perhaps questioning expression. The background is a simple brown cave wall.

WHAT IF
SHE BETRAYED
HER OWN SUBJECTS
AND RAN AWAY BY
HERSELF...?

THAT'S
IMPOSSIBLE.
THEY'RE JUST
ANTS.

BESIDES,
WE'RE ON AN ISLAND.
THERE'S NOWHERE
FOR HER TO RUN.



IT'S SO DARK IN
HERE. I WONDER
IF MY CAMERA IS
GETTING THIS.

The second panel is a close-up of the character in the black hooded cloak. He is looking directly at the viewer with a serious expression. He is holding a black video camera up to his eye, framing the scene. The background is dark and indistinct.

WELL, I'M SURE
THE STAFF AT THE
HEADQUARTERS WILL
DO A GOOD JOB
OF EDITING.





LOOK...!



IT'S A
SPAWNING
GROUND.

THE FACT
THAT THERE'S
ONE HERE MUST
MEAN THAT...

...THE QUEEN'S
CHAMBER IS
NEARBY.

SO THOSE ANTS
EARLIER MUST HAVE
BEEN STATIONED TO
PROTECT THESE
EGGS.

I'LL SET THEM
ALL ON FIRE.





OUT OF ALL THE
HATCHED EGGS, THAT
ONE OVER THERE IS
ESPECIALLY HUGE!

THAT CAN'T BE AN
ANT EGG, CAN IT?
NO WAY...

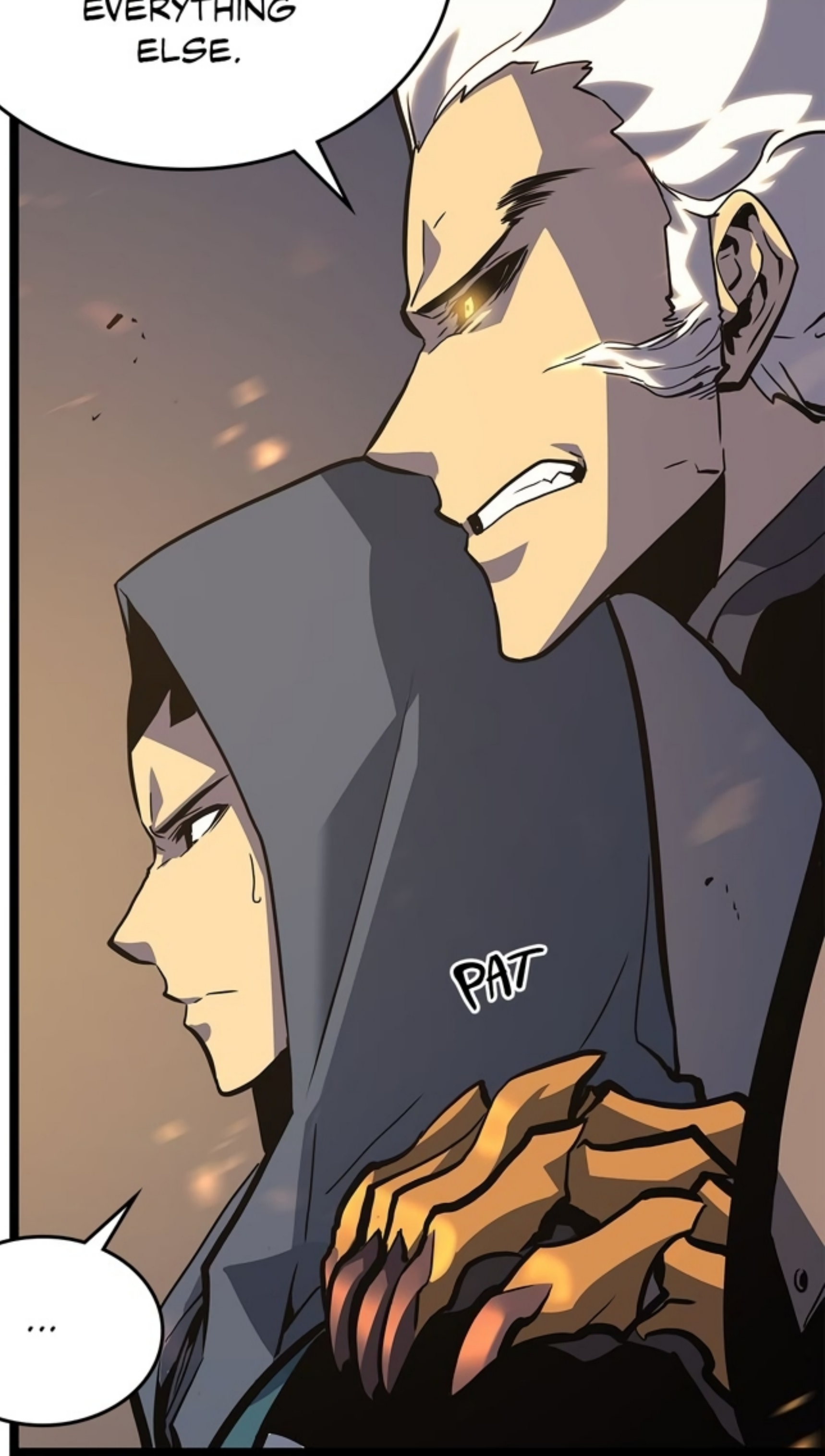
WHAT IN THE
WORLD HATCHED
OUT OF THAT
THING?





A ROYAL
GUARD? BUT...

OUR GOAL IS TO
DEFEAT THE QUEEN.
FORGET ABOUT
EVERYTHING
ELSE.



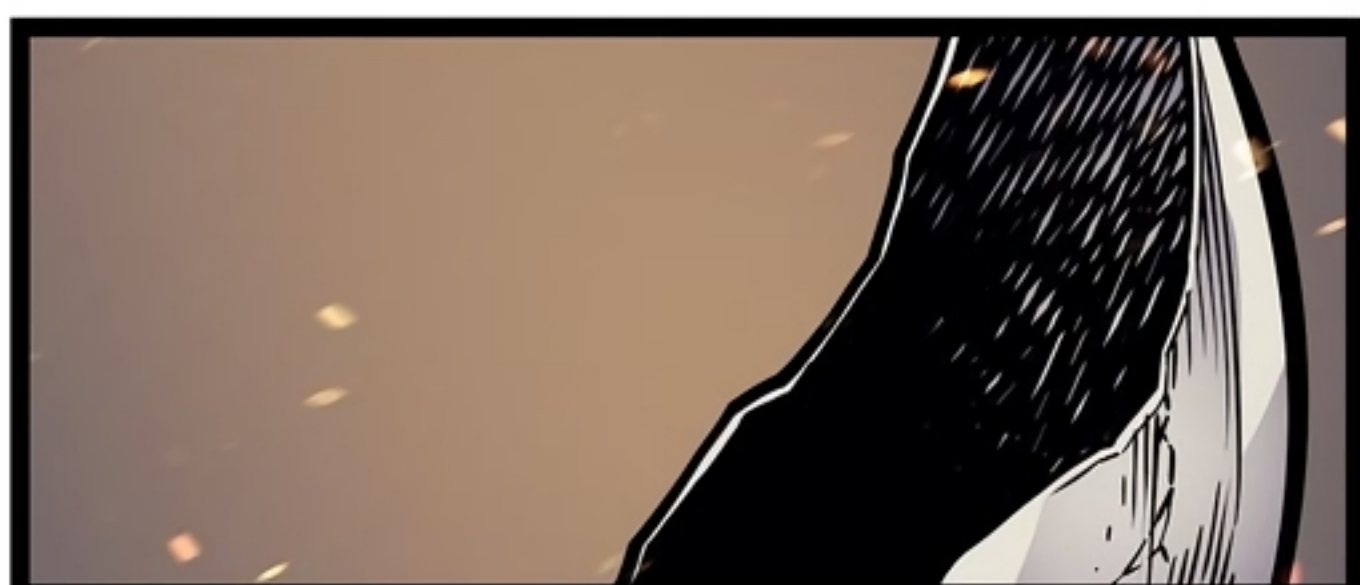
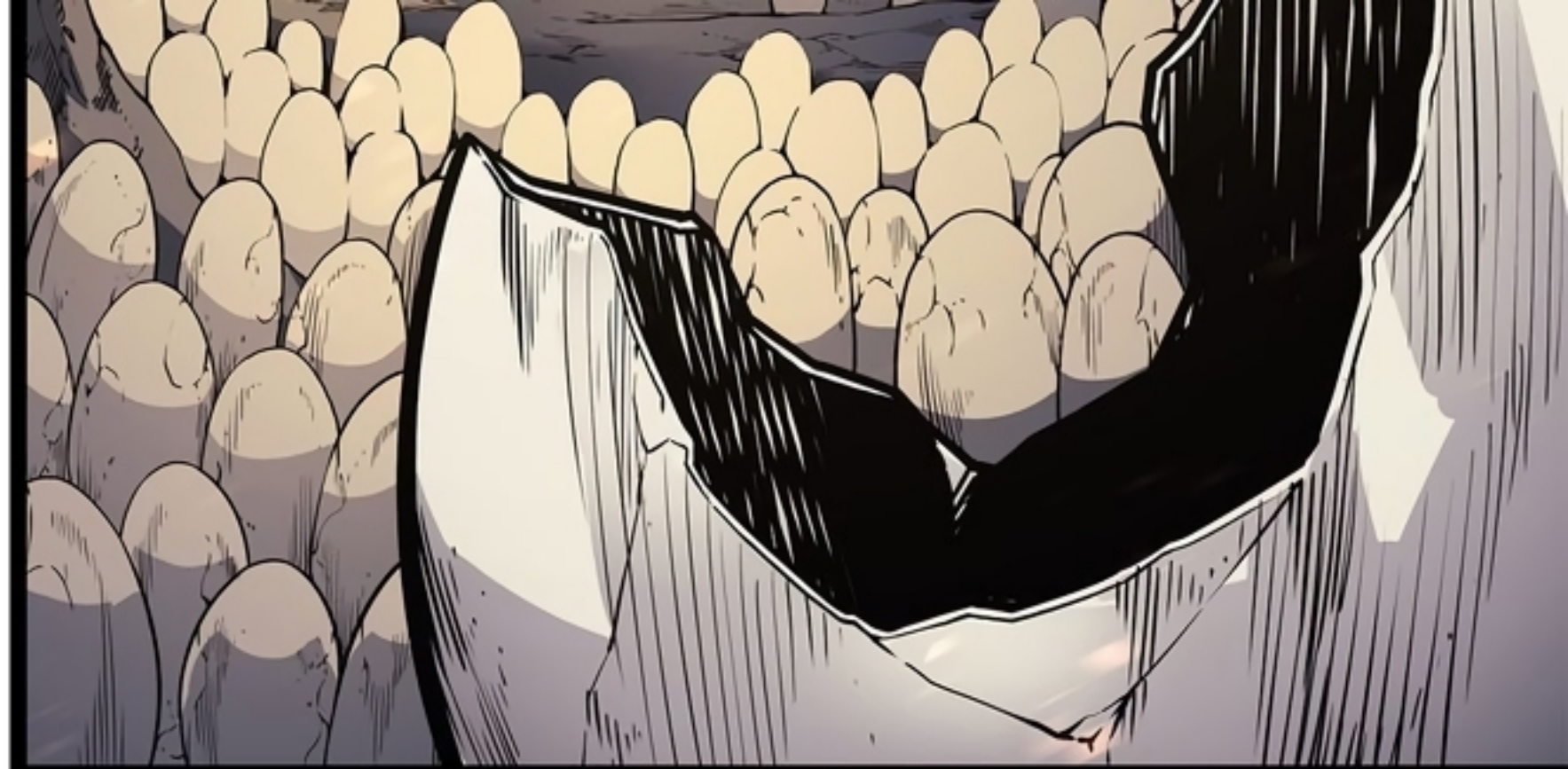
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I DON'T BLAME
BYUNG-GU FOR
BEING SO TAKEN
ABACK.

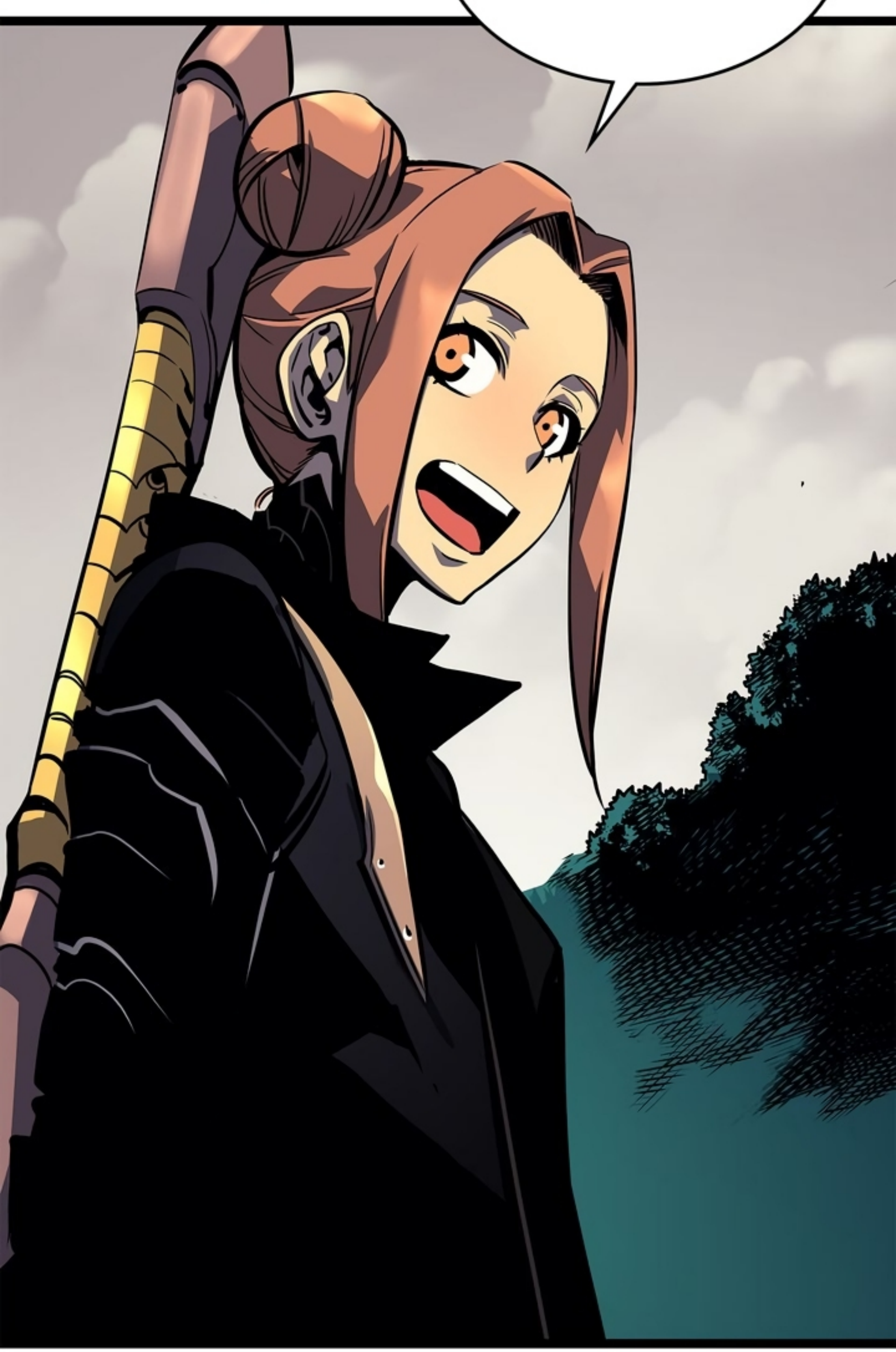


THOSE
MONSTERS...!





KENZO, YOU'RE
A HOT MESS.



THE FLYING ANTS
TURNED OUT TO BE
PESKIER THAN
I THOUGHT.


THEY ATTACKED
USING MILITARY
TACTICS AND
FLEW IN BATTLE
FORMATION.

I THINK
I KILLED AROUND 30,
BUT THEY MANAGED
TO GET ME IN THE
SHOULDER AND
WAIST.


WANT ME TO
HEAL YOU?

THERE'S A
PRICE FOR IT,
THOUGH.

STOP BEING
ANNOYING, SHIMIZU.
JUST HEAL ME
ALREADY.



BUT I HAVE
SOMETHING I WANT
FROM YOU. IT ISN'T
MONEY THIS TIME
EITHER.



WHAT IS IT?
YOU KNOW YOU MAKE
MORE THAN I DO,
RIGHT?

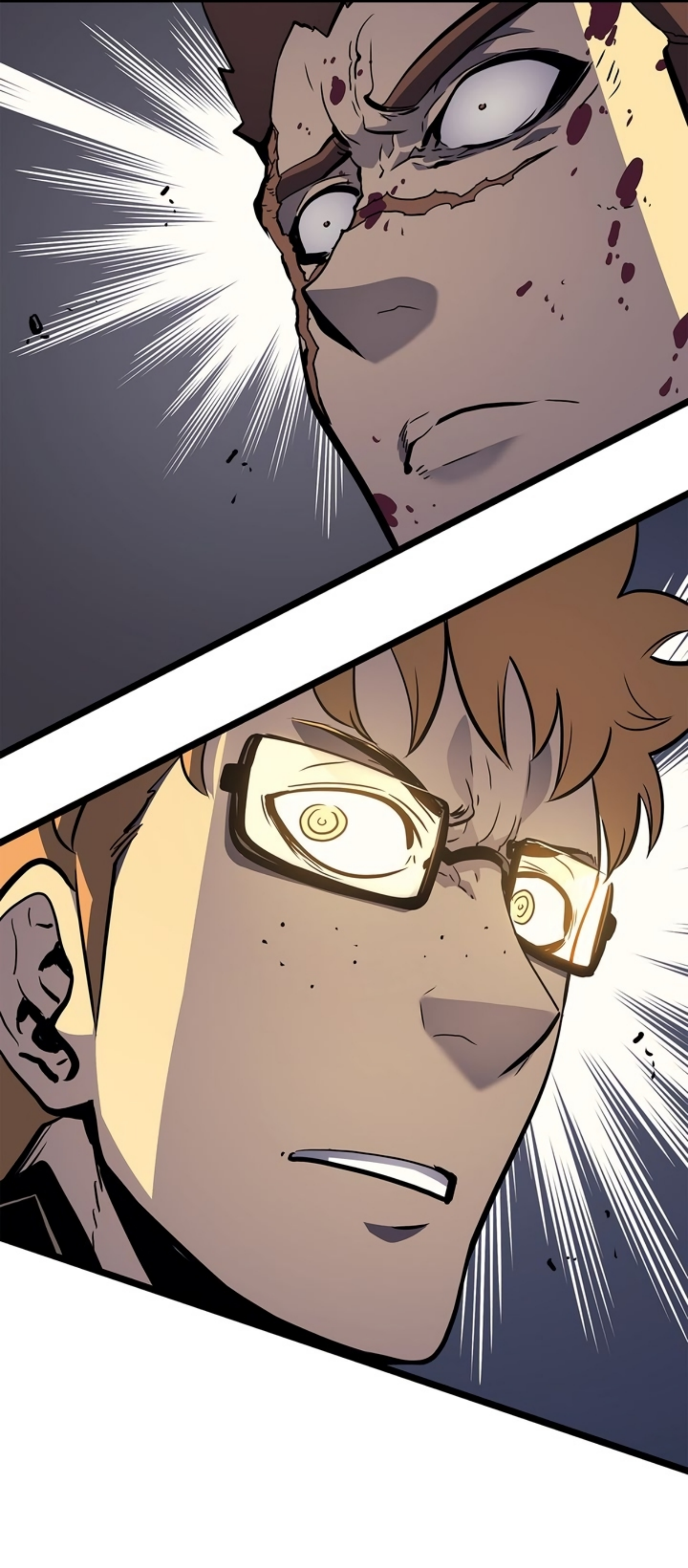
YOU'RE STILL YOUNG,
AND YET YOU'RE
ALREADY SO OBSESSED
WITH MONEY.

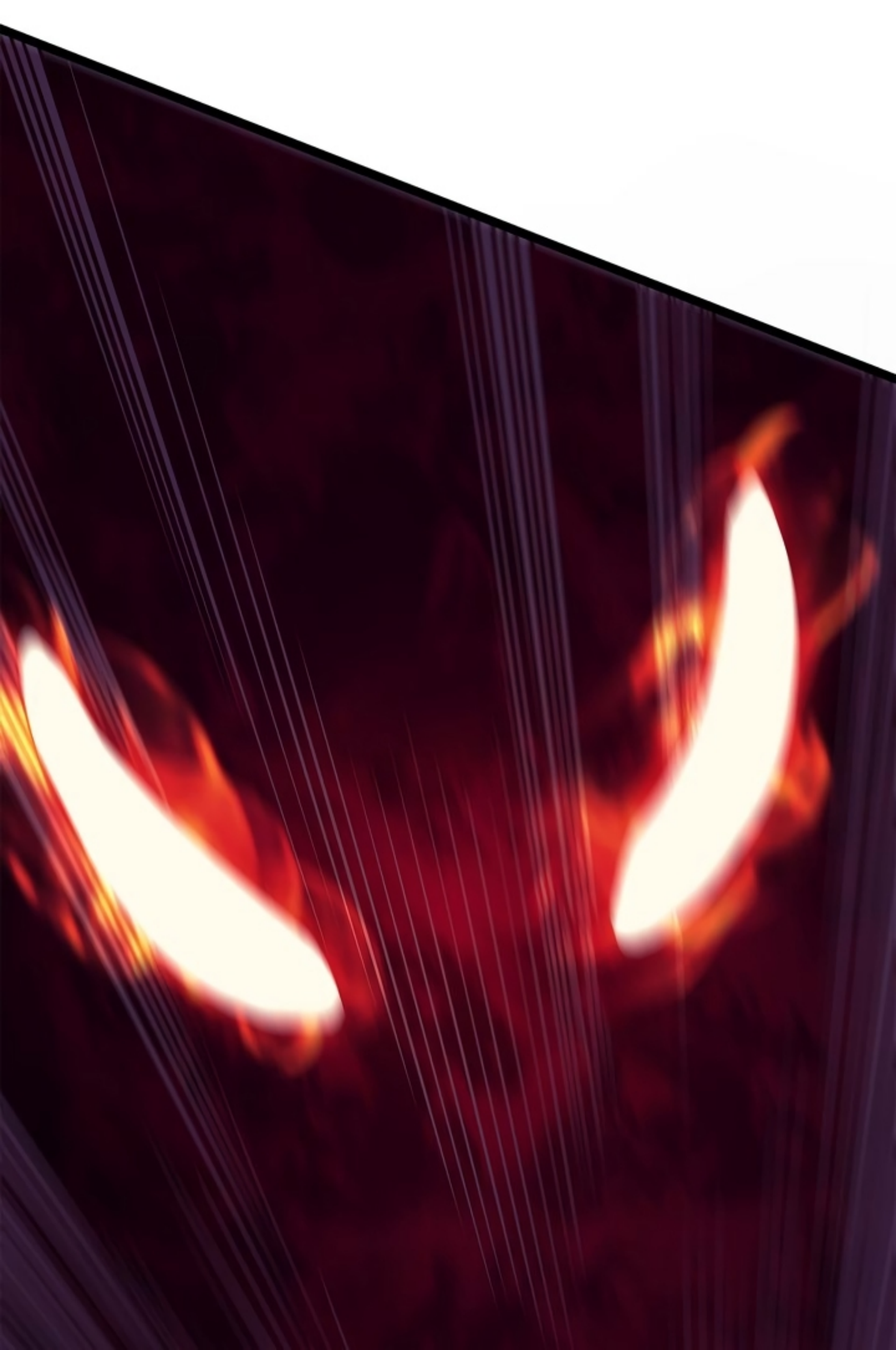


HURRY UP.



MORE ANTS
ARE COMING
FOR US.







YOU BASTARD!!







To Be Continued...

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